

On June 5, 2006, you will see a new version of ECF (version 3.0) which has several important changes as noted below.

- **SYSTEM UNAVAILABILITY:** During the conversion process, ECF will be unavailable from Saturday, June 3 at 8:00 a.m. until Sunday, June 4, 5:00 p.m.

Emergency filings may be e-mailed in PDF format to: **OrdersSouth@id.uscourts.gov**

- **PASSWORDS:** Version 3.0 does not recognize users' CM/ECF passwords which include a tilde (~). Attempting to use a password containing a tilde will result in a message of "invalid login." You must change your password PRIOR to June 3, 2006. You can do this by using the "Maintain Your ECF Account" on the Utilities menu (click on the More User Information button). We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.
- **Case Upload:** A case upload module is now incorporated into version 3.0. This module allows attorneys to use commercial bankruptcy petition software to create files that are uploaded to CM/ECF during the bankruptcy case opening process.
- **Bankruptcy Case Opening:** The screens have been stream-lined. For example, one change is that you will no longer be required to identify the role-type for the debtor - the system knows that you are filing on behalf of a debtor. To see a complete set of the new screens, you may log onto our website, and visit the on-line tutorials "Bankruptcy Case Opening"
- **Adversary Case Opening:** Similarly, the screens have been changed to simplify the filing process. When entering parties for an adversary case, the first parties to be entered are the Plaintiff(s). When finished entering plaintiff information, you will be prompted to enter defendant information. To see a complete set of these screens, you may log onto our website, and visit the on-line tutorials "Open an AP Case"
- **New Claims Features:** There are several new claims features which will make filing and tracking of claims much easier, including: (1) ability to add a creditor while you file a claim; (2) the insertion of an extension number when you amend a claim (rather than a new number); (3) a link appears on the notice of electronic claims filing (NEF) to the claims register; (4) transfers of claims now appear on the claims register; and (5) the ability for large creditors to file multiple claims at once through "Claims Upload".

Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

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